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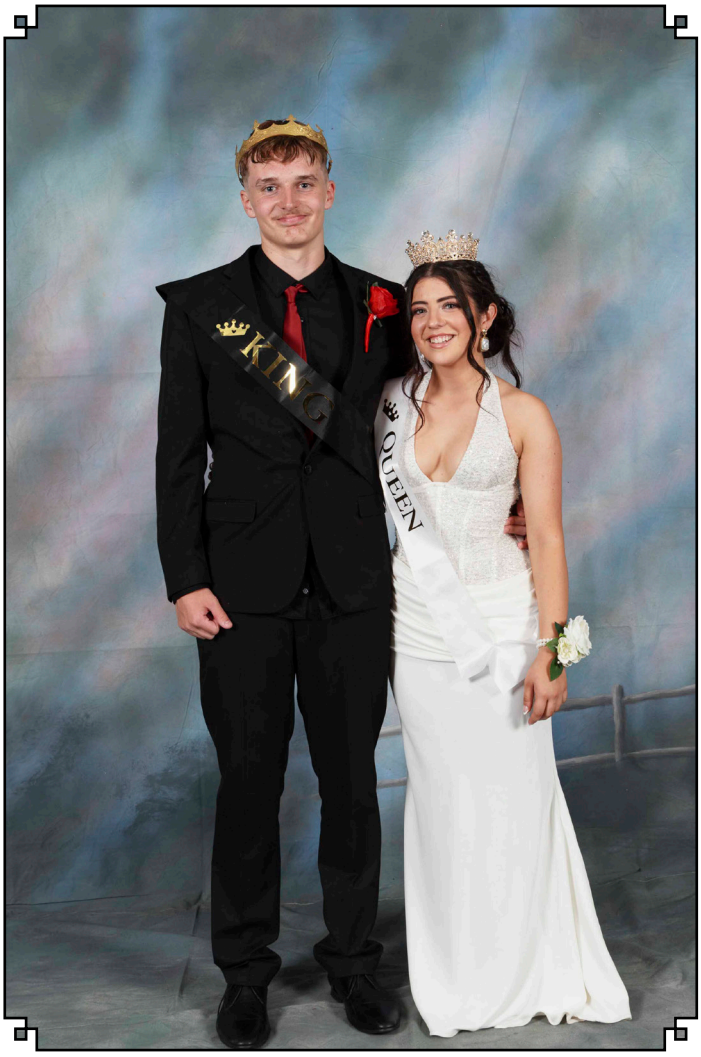
King and Queen of the Enchanted Rococo Ball 2026



King Kaylab Mayley and Queen Hayley Forsythe

Our Enchanted Rococo School Ball 2026 was nothing short of a Bridgerton-inspired dream — shimmering gowns, dashing suits, grand décor and a dance floor alive with laughter and celebration.

From the moment students arrived beneath sparkling lights to the final song of the evening, the atmosphere was filled with joy, pride and a touch of old-world romance.

A highlight of the evening was the crowning of our Ball royalty — King Kaylab Maley and Queen Hayley Forsythe — who represented the spirit of the night with grace, confidence and style.

Watching our students step into this beautiful rite of passage in such splendour was truly something special. The confidence, grace and camaraderie on display reminded us all why the School Ball is such a treasured milestone in the Narrogin SHS journey.
Even in 34-degree heat, it takes a village to create magic like this!

A heartfelt thank you to our incredible caterers Ben, Mel & Co, our wonderful parent volunteers, our fabulous Year 10 waitstaff, DJ Ben for the ultimate mashup soundtrack, our supporting local businesses, Bliss Photography, bar staff, supervising staff, staff photographers, staff helpers, the Shire of Narrogin, and our wider community.

Your time, generosity and spirit transformed an ordinary evening into an enchanted celebration worthy of the ton.
Here's to the memories made under chandeliers and fairy lights — a night of friendship, laughter and elegance that will be remembered for years to come.

Mrs Londa Finlayson

What a night of elegance, opulence & glamour!

From The Principal

It has been a superb start to the year with us all including students hitting the ground running. It is pleasing that we commenced 2026 with a full contingent of staff with specialist teachers in their areas of expertise.

We welcomed a number of staff who have relished their start to the year, namely Mr Adam Cowan & Ms Elizabeth Forsyth (both Maths), Mrs Georgina McVea & Mr Taylen Hounsham (both English), Ms Jenna Bain (Phys Ed), Ms Kally Pinto (Science), Mr Ben Rosentstreich (Follow the Dream), Ms Marianne Whittam (Admin) Ms Kylee Yendle (Ed Assistant).

Our Year Coordinators have embraced their role, and we couldn't be more impressed with Rowie Jones (Year 7), Ben Hortin (Year 8), George Flood (Year 9), David Budd (Year 10), Jamie Perry (Year 11), and Kris McDonald (Year 12). The Year Coordinators advocate for the students, staff and school in all things relevant to their year group while forming strong relationships with the students and communicating with parents. Parents are encouraged to contact Year Coordinators should they require support for their child.

We have identified that preparing for Senior High School – Years 11 & 12, can be overwhelming. I congratulate George Flood and Wendy Sargeantson for taking the initiative for the well attended parent information evening. With so many various pathways to post school options and as a school we are fortunate that we have a wide range of partnerships to ensure our students access TAFE, workplace and university pathways. We have also incorporated Workplace Learning (WPL) into the timetable for students that do not have TAFE or ATAR courses. Ms Finlayson, Mr Perry and Mr McDonald have worked diligently to ensure our Year 11 students have access to Work placements on Wednesdays. The timetable has been designed to allow this to happen, and our Hilltop Café is also open on Wednesday to align with TAFE running their face to face course.

School attendance matters in Western Australia because every missed day directly affects a student's learning, wellbeing, and long term outcomes. The Department of Education is very clear: *every day a student does not attend school can negatively impact their learning*. Attendance is treated as a shared responsibility between schools, families, students, and the wider community, with systems in place to monitor and support engagement. We offer many incentives for attending school as this is a compounded problem for students when they enter Years 10 – 12 and have not gained foundation skills and solid study habits. Our staff have worked hard to prepare for engaging lessons and programs to ensure skills are built upon. Year Coordinators are happy to work in partnership with parents to support student engagement.

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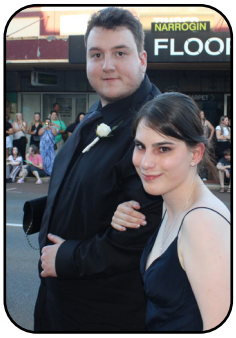
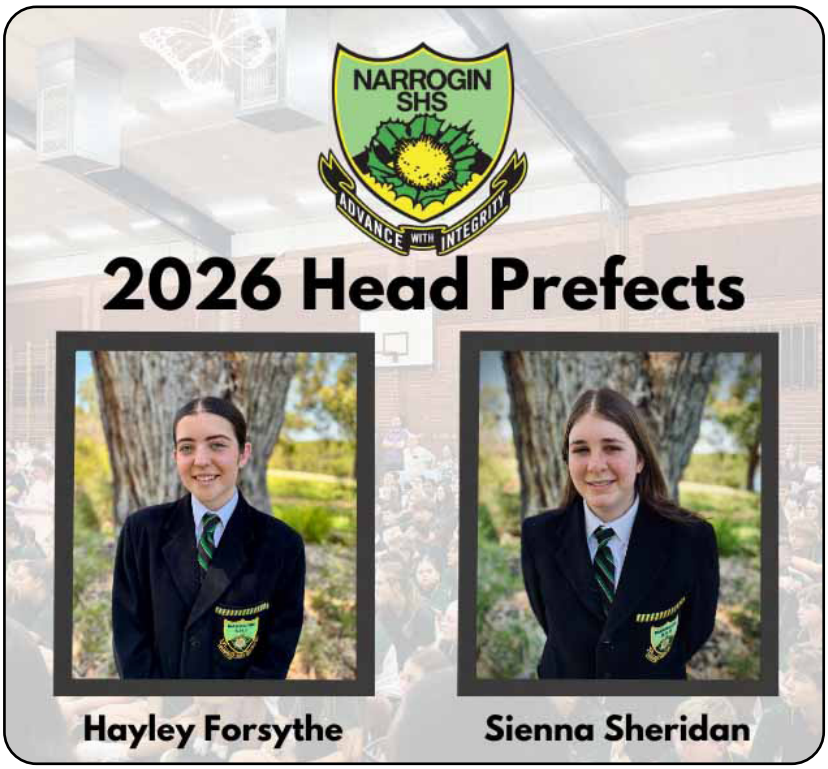
Amanda Ruiz, Marianne Whittan, Adam Cowan, Jenna Bain, Kylee Yendle, Elizabeth Forsyth, Kally Pinto and Taylen Hounsham

Ball Photos



Narrogin SHS Head Prefects 2026



Narrogin Senior High School is proud to announce our 2026 Head Prefects, Hayley Forsythe and Sienna Sheridan — two outstanding young leaders who embody our school values of Respect, Responsibility and Integrity.

While Hayley and Sienna each bring distinct leadership qualities and styles to the role, it is precisely these differences that strengthen their partnership and enrich the entire Prefect cohort. Together, they represent a balanced and dynamic leadership team for the year ahead.

Hayley leads with quiet determination, thoughtfulness and a strong sense of accountability. Her considered approach ensures decisions are reflective and inclusive. Sienna brings energy, confidence and a natural ability to connect with others, inspiring those around her to step forward and be involved. Their complementary styles create a leadership duo grounded in collaboration, positivity and purpose.

When asked what it means to be Head Prefect of NSHS in 2026, both shared a deep sense of pride and gratitude. They see the role not simply as a title, but as a responsibility — to be role models, to represent the student voice with authenticity, and to uphold the values that define Narrogin SHS.

For them, leadership is about service to others and contributing meaningfully to the school community that has supported them throughout their journey.
Looking beyond 2026, both Hayley and Sienna have strong aspirations for further study and career pathways. They are motivated to continue learning, to challenge themselves, and to pursue futures that allow them to make a positive impact — carrying forward the skills and confidence they have developed at NSHS.

Reflecting on what encouraged them to become Prefects in the first place, both acknowledged the culture of leadership at Narrogin SHS. The encouragement from staff, the example set by previous student leaders, and the school's emphasis on Respect, Responsibility and Integrity inspired them to step outside their comfort zones and take on the opportunity to lead.
As they enter their final year, Hayley and Sienna hope to strengthen school spirit, foster inclusivity across year groups, and leave a legacy of unity within the Prefect team. They are committed to working collaboratively with their fellow Prefects to create meaningful initiatives, celebrate student achievements, and ensure 2026 is a year remembered for connection, pride and progress.
We congratulate Hayley Forsythe and Sienna Sheridan on their appointment as Head Prefects for 2026 and look forward to the positive influence they will undoubtedly bring to Narrogin SHS.

Mrs Londa Finlayson

Year 9 Parent Information Session

The Year 9 Parent Information Session was held on Wednesday 25 January and provided an opportunity for parents and caregivers to learn more about the year ahead.

Key information was shared about expectations, upcoming programs, and the support available to help students succeed throughout Year 9. The session was very well attended, and it was great to see so many families engaging with the school community and supporting their child's learning journey.

Mr George Flood

Premier's Reading Challenge

Embark on an epic reading journey and be in the running to win weekly prizes in the Premier's Reading Challenge.
The Premier's Reading Challenge encourages students to discover the joy of reading, improve their literacy skills and enjoy amazing stories.

The challenge runs for 12 weeks from 23 March to 12 June 2026. To complete the challenge:

- Kindergarten to Year 6 students read 12 or more books
- Year 7 to 12 students read 6 or more books.

Reading isn't just about books. Students can also log:

- short stories
- graphic novels
- eBooks
- talking books
- poetry
- audiobooks
- literary-based podcasts.

There's something to read at any age or reading level.
Students who log their reading achievements each week have the chance to win exciting prizes! These weekly rewards recognise their dedication to the challenge, motivating them to enhance their reading skills while fostering a lifelong love of reading.

At the end of the challenge, students receive a certificate signed by the Premier, celebrating and rewarding their amazing efforts.

How to register
Create an account on the website: https://www.premiersreadingchallenge.wa.edu.au/

Benefits of the challenge
Reading offers many benefits and the Premier's Reading Challenge makes it even more exciting! The challenge encourages reading, gives students a goal to work towards and nurtures a lifelong love of books. Parents play a key role in developing great reading habits. The challenge gives families a fantastic chance to read together. Reading is a wonderful way to unwind, escape to new worlds and discover incredible authors.

So, grab a book and get ready for this year's challenge!

Ms Elizabeth Martin

WPL Students Earn Their White Cards

Congratulations to our WPL students on successfully completing their White Cards with Down to Earth Training & Assessing RTO 51199.

Thank you to the Down-to-Earth Training team for your diligence and dedication to our students' learning — your professionalism and support are truly appreciated.

We are committed to equipping our students with valuable skills, knowledge, certifications and real-world experience as they prepare for placements beginning Wednesday 11 March (Week 6).

This program creates meaningful opportunities, networks and pathways for their future careers.
Well done everyone!

Mrs Londa Finlayson

Follow the Dream
After School Tutoring Has Started

After school tutoring is now up and running on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday in the old Shooting Stars room.

Ben is working with students Monday to Wednesday, providing both in-school tutoring and after school support. Afternoon sessions run from 3:00pm – 4:30pm, and afternoon tea is provided.
There are many benefits to being part of the Follow the Dream program, with extra support to help students succeed and get the most out of their education.

A reminder to students to please hand in your FTD enrolment package. If you haven't received one, see Ben or Macca.

For any questions, please contact: **9881 9313**
benjamin.rosenstreich@education.wa.edu.au
kris.mcdonald@education.wa.edu.au

Mrs Londa Finlayson

Supporting a Safe & Memorable School Ball

A sincere thank you to our local Police and Ambulance services for visiting Narrogin Senior High School in the lead-up to our School Ball on 20th February.
We greatly appreciate the time you took to speak with our students about event safety and the importance of making responsible choices. Your practical advice and real-life insights reinforced the message of looking after ourselves and one another on such a significant occasion.
Thank you for your ongoing support of our school community and for helping ensure our students enjoyed a safe, respectful and memorable School Ball.

Mrs Londa Finlayson

Celebrating Excellence at Narrogin SHS

Narrogin Senior High School is immensely proud to recognise the exceptional achievements of our high-performing students.

Through dedication, perseverance and a strong commitment to excellence, these students have excelled across academic, sporting and leadership pursuits. Their efforts reflect the values of our school community and the high standards they consistently strive to uphold. We congratulate each of them on their well-deserved success.

A special thank you to our wonderful TTC Team for catering the celebratory morning tea and helping us mark the occasion so beautifully. We also extend our sincere appreciation to our parents and community members who joined us in celebrating these achievements. Your continued support makes these moments all the more special and meaningful.

Mrs Londa Finlayson

NOTICES

WANTED - CASUAL CANTEEN STAFF

NSHS P&C Association
Position Available

The Narrogin Senior High School P&C are looking for a canteen staff member for 2-3 days a week position, days/hours flexible.

Pay is in accordance with the "Fast Food Industry Award 2010 [MA000003]"

Essential Skills, Abilities & Qualifications:

- Working cohesively within a team environment.
- Excellent time management & organisational skills.
- Completed, or willingness to complete, Food Safe training (or equitant).
- Current Working with Childrens Check & Police Clearance (less than 6 months old).
- Current driver's licence, reliable vehicle & telephone.

Desirable:

- Previous experience working within the food industry.

Written applications to be marked "NSHS Canteen Application" sent to
Donna – P&C Canteen Committee
Email: uniqueforhair@gmail.com
Phone Enquiries: 0409 887 790
Applications close: 3.00pm Friday 13 February 2026

Within Your Wallet is Back for Summer & Term 1 2026!

Within Your Wallet is a diversionary initiative designed to reduce risk, increase safety, and strengthen protective factors for young people. The program improves youth connection by increasing awareness of support services (online and local) and providing access to free sport, art, and music activities.
A Wallet Card provides FREE entry to participating venues and activities.

It also includes youth support contacts and crisis lines - making it a helpful and accessible resource to carry just in case someone needs support.

Who can access a Wallet Card?
Young people aged 10–18 years living in the Southern Wheatbelt, including:
Narrogin, Wagin, Boddington, Williams, Wickepin, Pingelly, Brookton, Cuballing & Boddington.
To view participating venues, activity details, and more program information, you can visit https://www.pingellycrc.com.au/withinyourwallet.html.

Need a card?
Eligible young people who have not received one can collect spares from local schools, swimming pools, or youth centres.
New and refreshed wallet cards are coming soon — keep an eye out for their release!

For questions or more information, contact: wcadsprevention@holyoake.org.au